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Sir:

An affidavit under 37 CFR §1.132 is being submitted for consideration during
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Affidavit Under 37 CFR §1.132

I, Dr. Andreas Raabe, hereby state that:

- i. I co-authored, with Jürgen Beck, Rüdiger Gerlach, Michael Zimmermann and Volker Seifert, an article entitled "Near-Infrared Indocyanine Green Video Angiography: A New Method for Intraoperative Assessment of Vascular Flow" published in Neurosurgery, Volume 52, Number 1, January 2003;
- ii. This article has been incorporated by reference in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/650,038 titled "Microscopy System, Microscopy Method and a Method of Treating an Aneurysm" and filed on August 28, 2003. The inventors of this application are: Michael Haisch, Christoph Hauger, Hartmut Wolf, Joachim Hug, Brigitta Schwarz, Gerhard Gaida and Andreas Raabe;
- iii. I have reviewed and understand the contents of both the patent application and the article identified above; and
- iv. I am, among the co-authors of this article, the sole contributor to the text under the paragraph heading "Technique for ICG Video Angiography" on page 133 directed to an aneurysm treating method using indocyanine green (ICG).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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